

# ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Richmond, April 15, 1863.

## GENERAL ORDERS, } No. 43.

I. At the Military Court of the Department of Virginia and North Carolina, held at Petersburg, Va., March 13th, 1863, was arraigned and tried:

First Lieut. and Adjt. JOHN N. C. STOCKTON, of the 1st Regiment of Virginia Infantry, on the following Charges—(The Specifications are omitted in this order:)

Charge 1st,	-	-	Violation of the 45th Article of War.
Charge 2d,	-	-	Conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline.

## II. *Finding and Sentence of the Court.*

The Court having maturely considered the case, find the accused, First Lieut. and Adjt. John N. C. Stockton, 1st Virginia Infantry, as follows:

Of the 1st Specification of 1st Charge,	-	-	Guilty.
Of the 2d Specification of 1st Charge,	-	-	Guilty.
Of the 1st Charge,	-	-	Guilty.
Of the Specification of 2d Charge,	-	-	Guilty.
Of the 2d Charge,	-	-	Guilty.

And do therefore sentence him to be cashiered, and dismissed the service of the Confederate States.

III. The proceedings in the foregoing case having been laid before the Secretary of War, to be submitted to the President, the following orders are made thereon:

The proceedings, findings and sentence in the case of First Lieut. and Adjt. John N. C. Stockton, 1st Virginia Infantry, are approved; but in consideration of the previous good character, and the recommendation of the Court and Commanding General, the sentence is remitted, and Lieut. and Adjt. Stockton will be restored to duty with his regiment. His conduct is deemed highly discreditable; but the department indulges the hope that this exercise of clemency towards him will exert a beneficial influence over his future course, both as an officer and citizen.

By order.

S. COOPER,

Adjutant and Inspector General.